West Virginia State Senate

Committee on Economic Development

Minutes

DATE: January 23, 2019

ROOM: 208W TIME: 1:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Senators Maynard, Baldwin, Cline, Hamilton, Jeffries, Roberts, Stollings,

Swope and Tarr

MEMBERS ABSENT: Azinger, Ihlenfeld, Mann, Romano and Woelfel

Chairman Mark Maynard called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. in Room 208W. A silent roll call was taken by the clerk and a quorum was determined to be present (see attached). Senator Swope moved that the minutes of the January 16, 2019 meeting be approved. Motion carried.

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 390 — Requiring electric utilities submit feasibility studies of constructing and operating middle-mile broadband internet projects. Nic Dalton, Staff Counsel, explained the bill. With leave of the committee, Chairman Maynard recognized Sammy Gray, representing First Energy Corp. and Kurt Dettinger of Steptoe and Johnson, representing Appalachian Power Company, to speak to the bill and answer questions. Senator Swope moved the committee substitute with the recommendation that it do pass. Upon voice vote, the motion was adopted.

There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned on motion of Senator Swope.

Mark R. Maynard, Chair

Nic Dalton, Attorney

Mary Jane Dexter, Clerk